

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7724

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GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE WAREHOUSES

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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the quantum of foodgrains stored in the Central and the State Government's godowns is double their capacity;
- (b) whether the Government have announced to provide assistance for construction of private owned warehouses to meet this storage requirement; and
- (c) if so, the details of godowns constructed with such assistance, State-wise particularly in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION ( SHRI PRADHAN )

(a): Against the storage capacity of 568.80 lakh tones available for storing foodgrains with FCI, CWC, SWCs and other State agencies, the total stocks of foodgrains in Central Pool held by FCI and State Agencies as on 1-4-2002 was 510.23 lakh tones.

(b): Under the National storage policy announced by the Government, no direct financial assistance is being provided for construction of warehouses by private parties. However, under the policy, seven years guarantee for 100% capacity utilisation has been provided to private sector for construction of godowns on Build-Own-Operate (BOO) basis at the locations identified by the FCI.

(c): Bids have been invited by FCI for construction of godowns through private sector participation on BOO basis which are being processed.